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SUBJ: REGULATIONS ON TRANSPORTING ANTIQUITIES/SALE BY

DR MATBOULY

REF: CAIRO 14658

1. DR. PAUL WALKER, DIRECTOR AMERICAN RESEARCH CENTER IN EGYPT (ARCE) CONTACTED SCIATT ASKINGTHAT EMBSEND COPY OF MINISTRY OF CULTURE RESOLUTION NO. 355, 12/18/77 CONCERNING TRANSMISSION OF ANTIQUITIES. DR. WALKER SAID THAT OFFICE OF MINISTER OF CULTURE EL-SAWY HAD REQUESTED HIM TO GET COPY OF DECREE TOTHE MINISTER-COUNSELOR FOR INFORMATION IN THE EGYPTIAN EMBASSY ASAP. EMB HAS FORWARDED COPY OF DECREE TO ADDRESSEE AS REQUESTED.

2. INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF DECREE IS AS FOLLOWS:

AFTER DISCUSSING THE LAW NO. 215 OF YEAR 1951 ABOUT THE SECURITY OF ANTIQUITIES AND AFTER THE DECISION OF PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC NO. 2828 OF YEAR 1971 TO MAKE AN ORGANIZATION SPECIFICALLY FOR ANTIQUITIES, THE FOLLOWING WAS DECIDED: (1) NO ONE IS PERMITTED TO TRANSMIT ANTIQUITIES TO ANY PLACE OUTSIDE EGYPT; (2) THIS DECISION TO BE IMPLEMENTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER IT IS KNOWN. SIGNED ABDEL MONIEM EL-SAWY, MINISTER OF CULTURE.

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3. DR. WALKER FEELS DECREE (OF WHICH HE WAS UNAWARE) APPLIES TO TRANSMITTAL OF ARTIFACTS BY INDIVIDUAL PERSONS AND DOES NOT AFFECT INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING DIVISION OF FINDS. EILTS

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